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SUBJECT: UNGA DISARMAMENT: AUSTRALIAN DRAFT CTB RESOLUTION

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FOR ACDA AND IO

1. AUSTRALIANS CIRCULATED DRAFT RESOLUTION ON COMPRE-
HENSIVE TEST BAN AT MEETING OF WESTERN DISARMAMENT
DELEGATIONS NOV 5. DRAFT RESPRESENTS AGREED TEXT DEVELOPED
BY AUSTRALIA, NEW ZEALAND, SWEDEN, CANADA, NETHERLANDS,
AND JAPAN, ALTHOUGH LAST THREE ARE UNWILLING TO COSPONSOR
BECAUSE OF THEIR OBJECTIONS TO THE RESOLUTION'S FIRST
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OPERATIVE PARAGRAPH CONDEMNING ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS.

THRESE THREE EXPECT, NONETHELESS, TO SUPPORT RESOLUTION. AT MEETING, UK AND BELGIUM ALSO EXPRESSED DESATISFACTION WITH RESOLUTION'S CONDEMNATORY LANGUAGE, AND ITALY CRITICIZED ITS LACK OF REFERENCE TO VERIFICATION REQUIREMENTS. FRANCE SAID IT MIGHT VOTE AGAINST AUSTRALIAN RESOLUTION ON BASIS OF THE CONDEMNATION, SAYING IT COULD CONFORTABLY ABSTAIN IF RESOLUTION SIMPLY URGED END TO NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS.

2. KEVIN (AUSTALIA) REPORTED THAT SWEDES HAD DISCUSSED DRAFT AT CCD NON-ALIGNED GROUP MEETING AND THAT INDIA HAD EXPRESSED OPPOSITION TO THE RESOLUTION'S SEVERAL REFERENCES TO THE NPT. HE NOTED THAT THE INDIAN POSITION COULD CAUSE TROUBLE FOR THE RESOLUTION, SINCE THE CO-SPONSORS CONSIDER REFERENCES TO THE NPT REVIEW CONFERENCE AN IMPORTANT PART OF THE TEXT.

3. DELOFF, IN CONVERSATION WITH KEVEN AFTER MEETING, NOTED THAT RESOLUTION MADE NO REFERENCE TO PROBLEM OF PEACEFUL NUCLEAR EXPLOSIIONS UNDER A CTB, RECALLING GENERAL AGREEMENT AT CCD THAT THIS PROBLEM WOULD HAVE TO BE SOLVED. KEVEN STATED THAT AUSTRALIA AGREED AND WITH THEREFORE COSPONSORING DRAFT PNE RESOLUTION NOW BEING CIRCULATED, WHICH RECOGNIZES NEED TO ENSURE THAT PNE'S UNDER A CTB DO NOT CONTRIBUTE TO REFINEMENT OF EXISTING NUCLEAR ARSENALS OR TO ACQUISITION OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE CAPABILITY. DELOFF EMPHASIZED IMPORTANCE OF ADDRESSING PROBLEM IN CONTEXT OF CTB RESOLUTION AS WELL AS IN PNE RESOLUTION.

4. MAIN DIFFERENCES BETWEEN PRESENT DRAFT AND EARLIER VERSION REPORTED REFTEL ARE (A) THIRD OPERATIVE PARA, WHICH NOW REFERS TO IMPORTANCE OF "REACHING AGREEMENT ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN EFFECTIVE" CTB (RATHER THAN "IMPORTANCE OF A CTB), (B) DELETION OF OPERATIVE PARA EMPHASIZING SPECIAL RESPONSIBILITY OF NWS PARTY TO THE NPT TO TAKE THE LEAD IN INITIATING PROPOSALS FOR A CTB, AND (C) DELETION OF PARA INVITING COOPERATION OF NWS NOT MEMBERS OF THE CCD IN CCD EFFORTS TO AHCIEVE CTB.

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5. TEXT OF DRAFT RES FOLLOWS:

QUOTE
SUGGESTED CTB RESOLUTION - AMENDED

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY,
DEEPLY CONCERNED THAT A NUMBER OF STATES HAVE ENGAGED

IN UNDERGROUND NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTING SINCE THE TWENTY-
NINTH SESSION OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, WHILE WELCOMING
THE FACT THAT THERE HAVE BEEN NO ATMOSPHERIC NUCLEAR WEAPON
TESTS IN THE SAME PERIOD,
RECALLING ITS PREVIOUS RESOLUTIONS ON THE SUBJECT,
MOST RECENTLY RESOLUTION 3257 (XXIX),
RECALLING THE STATED AIMS OF THE PARTIES TO THE
TREATY BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE,
IN OUTER SPACE AND UNDER WATER TO SEEK TO ACHIEVE THE DISCONTIN-
UANCE OF ALL TEST EXPLOSIONS OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS FOR ALL TIME,
NOTING WITH APPROVAL THAT THE FINAL DECLARATION OF
THE REVIEW CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON
THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS IN MAY 1975:
A) EXPRESSED THE VIEW THAT THE CONCLUSION OF A TREATY
BANNING ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IS ONE OF THE MOST
IMPORTANT MEASURES TO HALT THE NUCLEAR ARMS RACE;
B) EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THE NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES
PARTY TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF
NUCLEAR WEAPONS WILL TAKE THE LEAD IN REACHING AN
EARLY SOLUTION TO THE TECHNICAL AND POLITICAL
DIFFICULTIES ON THIS ISSUE;
C) APPEALED TO THESE STATES TO MAKE EVERY EFFORT TO
REACH AGREEMENT ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN EFFECTIVE
COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN;
NOTING WITH APPROVAL ALSO THAT THE DESIRE WAS EXPRESSED
BY A CONSIDERABLE NUMBER OF DELEGATIONS AT THE REVIEW
CONFERENCE OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIF-
ERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS THAT THE NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES
PARTY TO THE TREATY SHOULD AS SOON AS POSSIBLE ENTER INTO
AN AGREEMENT, OPEN TO ALL STATES AND CONTAINING APPROPRIATE
PROVISIONS TO ENSURE ITS EFFECTIVENESS, TO HALT ALL NUCLEAR
WEAPON TESTS OF ADHERING STATES FOR A SPECIFIED TIME, WEREUPON
THE TERMS OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT WOULD BE REVIEWED IN THE LIGHT
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OF THE OPPORTUNITY AT THAT TIME TO ACHIEVE A UNIVERSAL AND
PERMANENT CESSATION OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS,

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FOR ACDA AND IO

TAKING NOTE OF THE SECTION OF THE REPORT OF THE
CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT REPORT ON THE
QUESTION OF A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AGREEMENT,

REAFFIRMING ITS CONVICTION THAT THE CESSATION OF
NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTING WOULD BE IN THE SUPREME INTEREST OF
MANKIND, BOTH AS A MAJOR STEP TOWARDS CONTROLLING
THE DEVELOPMENT AND PROLIFERATION OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS AND TO
RELIEVE THE DEEP APPREHENSION CONCERNING THE HARMFUL
CONSEQUENCES OF RADIOACTIVE CONTAMINATION FOR THE
HEALTH OF PRESENT AND FUTURE GENERATIONS,

1. CONDEMNS ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS, IN WHATEVER
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ENVIRONMENT THEY MAY BE CONDUCTED;

2. DEPLORES THE CONTINUED LACK OF PROGRESS TOWARDS A
COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN AGREEMENT;

3. ENDORSES THE CONCLUSIONS OF THE REVIEW CONFERENCE
OF THE PARTIES TO THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION OF
NUCLEAR WEAPONS REGARDING THE IMPLEMENTATION OF ARTICLE VI
OF THAT TREATY, AND IN PARTICULAR THE IMPORTANCE OF REACHING

AGREEMENT ON THE CONCLUSION OF AN EFFECTIVE COMPREHENSIVE
TEST BAN;

4. CALLS UPON ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES, AND IN
PARTICULAR THE NUCLEAR WEAPON STATES PARTY TO THE TREATY
BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE, IN OUTER
SPACE AND UNDER WATER AND THE TREATY ON THE NON-PROLIFERATION
OF NUCLEAR WEAPONS, TO ENTER AS SOON AS POSSIBLE MEANWHILE
INTO AN AGREEMENT, OPEN TO ALL STATES AND CONTAINING APPROPRIATE
PROVISIONS TO ENSURE ITS EFFECTIVENESS, TO HALT ALL NUCLEAR
WEAPON TESTS OF ADHERING STATES FOR A SPECIFIED TIME, WHEREUPON
THE TERMS OF SUCH AN AGREEMENT WOULD BE REVIEWED IN THE LIGHT
OF THE OPPORTUNITY AT THAT TIME TO ACHIEVE A UNIVERSAL AND
PERMANENT CESSATION OF ALL NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS;
5. URGES ALL STATES NOT YET PARTY TO THE PARTIAL TREATY
BANNING NUCLEAR WEAPON TESTS IN THE ATMOSPHERE, IN OUTER
SPACE AND UNDER WATER TO ADHERE TO IT FURTHERWITH;
6. URGES THE CONFERENCE OF THE COMMITTEE ON DISARMAMENT
TO INTENSIFY ITS EFFORTS TO ACHIEVE A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN
AGREEMENT, AND TO REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY AT
ITS THIRTY-FIRST SESSION ON THE PROGRESS ACHIEVED;
7. DECIDES TO INCLUDE IN THE PROVISIONAL AGENDA OF ITS
THIRTY-FIRST SESSION THE ITEM ENTITLED "URGENT NEED FOR
CESSATION OF NUCLEAR AND THERMONUCLEAR TESTS AND CONCLUSION OF
A TREATY DESIGNED TO ACHIEVE A COMPREHENSIVE TEST BAN.

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